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Police Focus on Traffic Enforcement in School Zones *Efforts aimed at reducing speeds, preventing accidents*

Howard County Police will be out in force over the next few weeks as they focus traffic enforcement efforts in school zones. Police will be stopping drivers who are speeding or driving recklessly in Howard County's school zones and issuing citations in an effort to prevent accidents and the injuries that result.

Three students were involved in a speed-related collision as they left Atholton High School on the last day of school in 2001. The 17-year old driver was killed when his 1991 Honda struck a utility pole. Police often see increased speeds and reckless driving behavior from students during the last week of school. Howard County Police are increasing their efforts in order to keep preventable collisions like this from happening.

The Howard County Police Department is reminding parents to speak with their teen drivers regarding the dangers and risks associated with speeding and reckless driving.

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